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Interested Parties:

WEST VALLEY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT (WVDP) PHASE 1 DECOMMISSIONING – FACILITY DISPOSITION PROCUREMENT PRESOLICITATION NOTICE

This letter hereby requests review by and comment from all interested parties of Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) No. DE-SOL-0002084 pertaining to the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) Phase 1 Decommissioning – Facility Disposition procurement and provides a summary of the salient elements of the Draft RFP. The Department of Energy (DOE) anticipates the issuance of a Final RFP in October of 2010. DOE IS NOT REQUESTING PROPOSALS AT THIS TIME, AND INTERESTED PARTIES SHALL NOT SUBMIT PROPOSALS IN RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT RFP. DOE WILL NOT EVALUATE ANY PROPOSALS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT RFP. PROPOSALS SHALL BE SUBMITTED ONLY IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL RFP. DOE hereby invites all interested parties to thoroughly examine the Draft RFP and the accompanying web site in their entirety and to submit comments in writing via the e-mail address at wvdpphase1@emcbc.doe.gov. In particular, DOE is seeking feedback from interested parties on the following:

1. Do barriers exist (DOE imposed or otherwise) that would hinder your firm from participating in this acquisition?
2. What are the important discriminating factors we should consider in making this selection?
3. Based on an annual funding profile of \$60 million, how long do you think it will realistically take to complete the work detailed in Section C of the Draft RFP?
4. Do the Draft RFP and the procurement web site contain all of the information you need to reasonably estimate the cost of the work detailed in Section C of the Draft RFP?
5. What other suggestions do you have?

In addition to requesting that interested parties review the Draft RFP and provide feedback, DOE requests that interested parties review all of the information and/or documentation available on the Phase 1 Decommissioning – Facility Disposition procurement web site and identify any additional historical cost or technical information and/or documentation that would facilitate the preparation of their proposals. Interested parties will have until September 22, 2010, to submit comments regarding the Draft RFP. DOE will not respond to any verbal or written questions or

comments pertaining to the Draft RFP. Interested parties will be given the opportunity to submit questions and comments in writing for DOE response once the Final RFP is issued. This letter also informs interested parties that DOE will conduct a pre-proposal conference, multiple site tours and "one-on-one" sessions with interested parties the week of September 13, 2010. Instructions for requesting attendance to these events may be found on the West Valley Phase Decommissioning – Facility Disposition procurement web site at http://www.emcbc.doe.gov/WVDP_Phase_1_Decommissioning/.

After the Final RFP is issued and proposals are received, DOE intends to award a contract for Phase 1 Decommissioning – Facility Disposition activities on the basis of best value to the Government, considering the technical evaluation factors in Section M.3 of the Draft RFP and evaluated cost as explained in Section M.4. These sections, and any other sections, of the Draft RFP are subject to change in the development of the Final RFP as a result of DOE's consideration of the comments received from interested parties in response to the Draft RFP. The Phase 1 Decommissioning – Facility Disposition contract that DOE anticipates awarding as a result of this procurement will be a follow-on contract to WVDP Interim End State Contract No. DE-AC30-07CC30000 with West Valley Environmental Services. Services to be provided under the Phase 1 Decommissioning – Facilities Disposition contract include but are not limited to: high level waste canister relocation and storage; contaminated facility decontamination, deactivation, demolition, decommissioning and closure; waste tank farm management; contaminated water management; non-contaminated facility disposition; waste management; operation and maintenance of facilities and infrastructure including the Remote Handled Waste Facility; safeguards and security; janitorial and grounds keeping services; laboratory services; state, Federal and DOE regulatory compliance; radiological monitoring; and administrative support services.

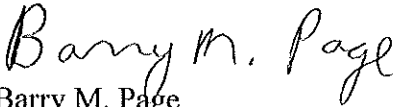
DOE has identified several key areas that interested parties should consider when submitting comments or inquiries:

- 1) The new contract will be a Cost-Plus-Award-Fee type contract with annual funding of \$60 million. Additionally, the contract will be a completion contract, as opposed to a term contract, under which the Contractor will be required to complete all of the work elements described in the Performance Work Statement within seven years. Total available award fee can be earned through objective and/or subjective fee components consisting of award fee criteria and/or performance based incentives.
- 2) The new Contractor shall establish pay and benefit programs for employees that are consistent with applicable law, the collective bargaining agreement, and the terms and conditions of the contract. Clause H.8 of the Draft RFP entitled "Employee Compensation: Pay and Benefits" requires the new Contractor to offer comparable pay for incumbent employees. The collective bargaining agreement between the incumbent Contractor and the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers has been incorporated into the Draft RFP in Section J, Attachment J-10. In addition, the Davis-Bacon and Service Contract Act wage determinations have been incorporated into the Draft RFP in Section J and Attachments J-4 and J-5 respectively.
- 3) The Draft RFP contains many requirements that are intended to increase opportunities for small business participation. Section L.3(j)(3) states that the Offeror shall establish goals that

afford small businesses with maximum practicable opportunity to participate in contract performance consistent with efficient performance. Section H, Clause H.44 entitled "Mentor-Protégé Program" requires a large business prime contractor to mentor at least one active Protégé company through the DOE and/or Small Business Administration Mentor-Protégé Programs beginning within 90 days of contract award and continuing through the contract period. In addition, Section I, Clause I.136, entitled "Incentive Subcontracting Program" potentially increases the Contractor's fee for exceeding their small business subcontracting goals.

In developing the Final RFP from the Draft RFP, DOE may consider some or all of the comments received from interested parties in response to the Draft RFP.

Sincerely,


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